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I. Erin Clark, being first duly sworn on her oath says: That she is the of THE KINGMAN DAILY MINER An Arizona corporation, which owns and publishes the Miner, a Daily Newspaper published in the City of Kingman, County of Mohave, Arizona; that the notice attached hereto, namely,

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Has, to the personal knowledge of affiant, been published in the newspaper aforesaid, according to law, from the 8th day of July, 2003 to the 10th day of July, 2003, inclusive without change, interruption or omission, amounting in 3 insertions, made on the following dates: 7/8, 7/9, 7/10/2003

By: Legal Clerk 10th Day of July, 2003

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My commission expires: 12/14/2006



PUBLIC NOTICE OF AN APPLICATION FOR AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE USE OF LONG-TERM DEBT PROCEEDS TO PURCHASE THE PHELPS DODGE WATER SYSTEM DOCKET NO. W-02023A-03-0379. Valley Pioneers Water Company, Inc. (Company), filed an application with the Arizona Corporation Commission (Commission) for an order authorizing the use of the long-term debt proceeds previously approved by the Commission in Decision No. 64173, dated October 30, 2001, to purchase the Phelps Dodge Bagdad Inc.'s water system. This system is com-posed of five wells and the sale agreement required Valley Pioneers to provide service to the Equatorial Mineral Park mine. The Sale Agreement is available for inspection during regular business hours at the office of the Commission in Phoenix, Arizona, and the Company's office located at 3155 N. McNeal Road, Golden Valley, Arizona 86413. Intervention in the Commission's proceedings on the application shall be permitted to any person entitled by law to intervene and having a direct substantial interest in this matter. Persons desiring to intervene must file a Motion to Intervene with the Commission which must be served upon applicant an which, at minimum all correspondence should contain the docket number and the following information: 1. The name, address and telephone number of the proposed intervener and of any person upon whom service of documents is to be made if different than the intervener, 2. A short statement of the proposed intervenor's interest in the proceeding. 3. Whether the proposed intervenor desires a formal evidentiary hearing on the application and the reasons for such a hearing. 4. A statement certifying that a copy of the Motion to Intervene has been mailed to Applicant. The granting of Motions to Intervene shall be governed by A.A.C. R14-3-105, except that all Motions to Intervene must be filed on, or before, the 15th day after this notice. The granting of intervention, among other things, entitled a party to present sworn evidence at hearing and to cross examine other witnesses. However, failure to intervene will not preclude any customer from making a statement on such customer's behalf. Please include the docket number in all correspondence. If you have any questions or concerns about this application or have any objections to its approval, or wish to make a statement in support of it, you may write the Consumer Services Section of the Commission at 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85907 or call 1-800-222-7000 or appear at a hearing (if one is held) and comment on the subject matter. Published 7/8, 7/9, 7/10/2003 No 987